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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Ying Luo, et al.

Application No.: 09/420,092

Filed: October 18, 1999

For: CELL CYCLE PROTEINS
ASSOCIATED WITH PCNA,
COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS OF
USE

Examiner: Michele Flood

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 18, 2003.

A Request for Continuing Examination is included herewith, as well as a declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 from Yasumichi Hitoshi, M.D., Ph.D., Exhibits A-C, and a resubmitted IDS and references. Please amend this application as follows.